

About Space Operations

• The Space Operations Mission Directorate (SOMD) directs spaceflight operations, such as space launches and integrated systems in low Earth orbit and beyond, including the International Space Station. SOMD enables other Agency missions by acquiring launch services, providing space communications and navigation services, and testing rocket engines. The International Space Station serves as a foundation for human lunar outposts and human missions to Mars by providing vital scientific and engineering information that will lead to more capable and safer future systems for human explorers.

We enable NASA missions



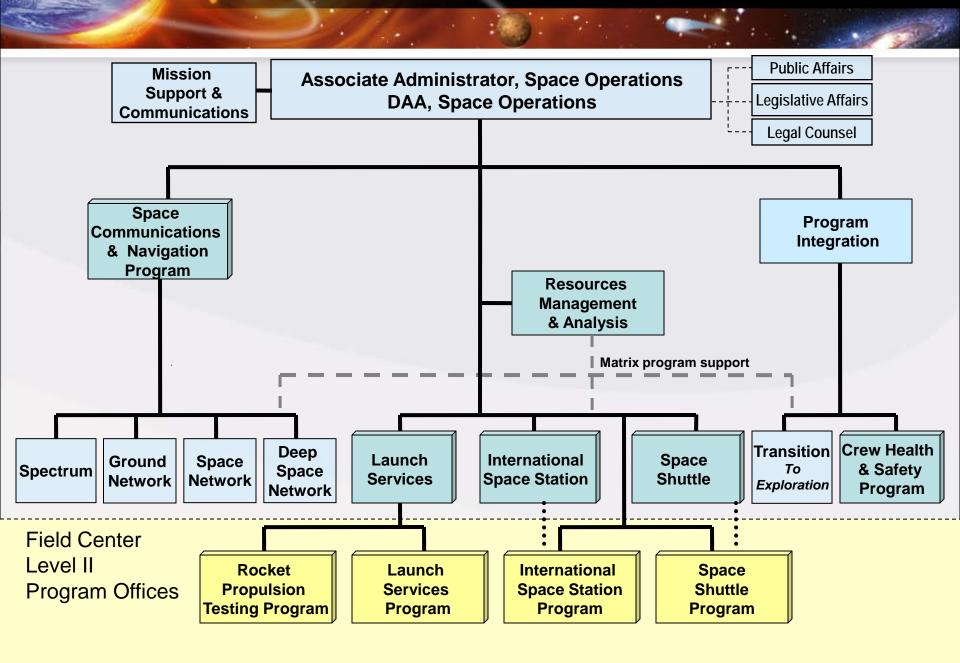
Current Projects and Initiatives

Key Challenges

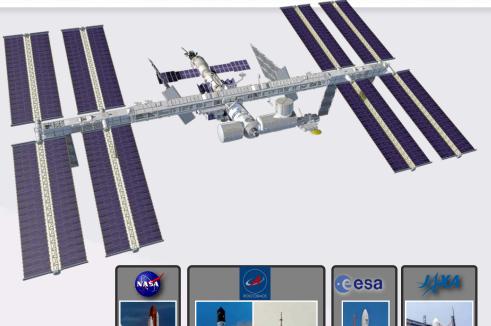
- Completing assembly of the International Space Station
- Utilizing, operating and sustaining the International Space Station
- Acquiring commercial space launches; mixed fleet and emerging players
- Pursuing an integrated space communications architecture
- Transitioning from Shuttle to future space transportation systems



SOMD Organization Structure



International Space Station



- International Partnership (ESA/JAXA/CSA since 1988, Roskosmos since 1993)
- Builds on long history of international cooperation
- Largest spacecraft ever built
 - 420,500 kg at completion
 - Over 40 assembly flights
- Continuous human presence for 9 years (since Expedition 1 in Nov 2000)
 - Currently 6 crew
- International crew
- International launch fleet
- Globally distributed operations





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International Space Station



- Complete ISS assembly
- Provide logistics to operate and maintain the ISS
- Perform research
- Serve as operations testbed for future Exploration missions

Operate as a National Lab







Space Shuttle Overview

- World's first reusable heavy-lift spacecraft with many unique capabilities
- 100 mission design life for each orbiter - 120 missions to-date

To complete the Shuttle's mission:

- 6 flights to the ISS
- The Space Shuttle will be retired with the completion of the ISS
- On-orbit Assembly

 Satellite Retrieval and Repair

 Point-to-point Maneuvering

 Cargo Return

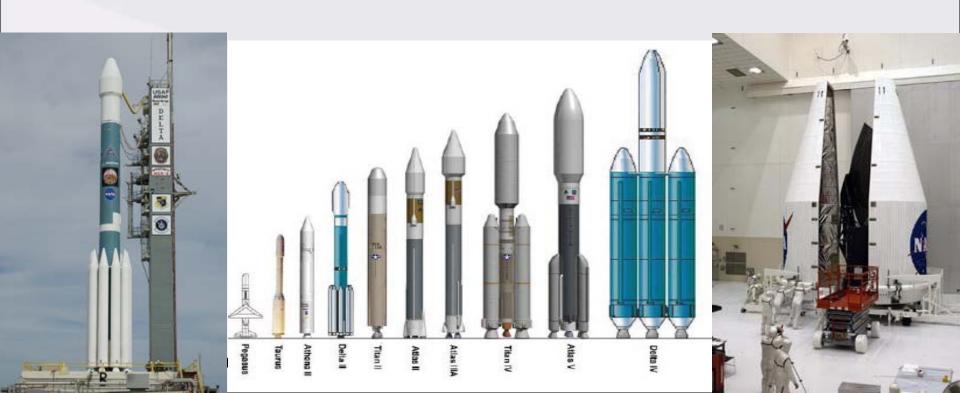
 Crew Transfer
- Shuttle retirement is not about going out of business. Rather, it is about transitioning to a new way of doing business.
- •Retirement is a combination of transfer and close-out activities. It is big, complex, uncharted, and emotional
 - Shuttle occupies 640 facilities, employees 15,000 people, and has
 900,000 line items of associated equipment with total assets valued near \$18B



The highest Shuttle Program priority is safe and effective mission fly-out

Launch Services Program

- Acquisition of ELV commercial launch services
- Perform mission assurance activities to maximize successful delivery of spacecraft to space
- Mission analysis and integration
- Encouraging emerging launch service providers

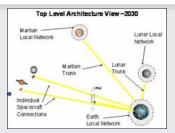


Rocket Propulsion Test Program

- Develop & maintain propulsion test facilities at NASA centers "right sized" for current agency mission
- Increase DoD/NASA collaboration
- Increase technical collaboration between RPT centers
 - Cross-training to develop workforce
 - Cross- Utilization of equipment and workforce
 - Common standards and specifications
- Increase understanding of facility maintenance & operations requirements



Space Communications and Navigation



Systems Planning

- Architecture
- Data Standards
- Search & Rescue
- Technology



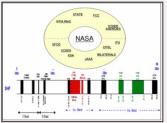
Space Network

- Space Network operations & maintenance
- Network Sustaining Engineering
- Network Upgrades



Tracking & Data Relay Satellite System

Procuring two replacement satellites



Spectrum Management



Deep Space Network

- Global tracking stations to provide tracking, telemetry & commanding and navigation data for spacecraft beyond LEO
- Solar System Radar to determine orbits of Near Earth Objects



Space Communications Integration Program

- Constellation Program Integration
- CEV to ISS Comm capability
- Constellation Lunar Comm capability and upgrades



Near Earth Network (Ground Network)

- Global tracking stations to support near Earth space craft
- Provide tracking, telemetry and commanding to support mission operations



2009 SOMD SBIR Subtopics

Topic O1 – Space Communications

- O1.01 Coding, Modulation, and Compression
- O1.02 Antenna Technology
- O1.03 Reconfigurable/Reprogrammable Communication Systems
- O1.04 Miniaturized Digital EVA Radio
- O1.05 Transformational Communications Technology
- O1.06 Long Range Optical Telecommunications
- O1.07 Long Range Space RF Telecommunications
- O1.08 Lunar Surface Communication Networks and Orbit Access Links
- O1.09 Software for Space Communications Infrastructure Operations

Topic O2 – Space Transportation

- O2.01 Automated Collection and Transfer of Launch Range Data (Surveillance/Intrusion, Weather)
- O2.02 Ground Test Facility Technologies

Topic O3 – Processing & Operations

- O3.01 Human Interface Systems and Technologies
- O3.02 Vehicle Integration and Ground Processing
- O3.03 Enabling Research for ISS



2009 SOMD SBIR Subtopics

Topic O4 – Navigation

- O4.01 Metric Tracking of Launch Vehicles
- O4.02 On-orbit PNT (Positioning, Navigation, and Timing) Sensors and Components
- O4.03 Lunar Surface Navigation
- O4.04 Flight Dynamics Technologies and Software
- O4.05 Space-Based Range Technologies

Topic O5 – Low-Cost and Reliable Access to Space (LCRATS) – Cross Cutting Topic for 2009

- A2.01 Materials and Structures for Future Aircraft
- X5.01 Composite Structures Practical Monitoring and NDE for Composite Structures
- X5.03 Composite Structures Manufacturing
- X9.01 Ablative Thermal Protection Systems
- X9.02 Advanced Integrated Hypersonic Entry Systems
- O3.02 Vehicle Integration and Ground Processing

Future Projects Acquisition Opportunities

 See ESMD/SOMD Integrated Acquisition Roadmap at <u>www.nasa.gov/Transition</u>

- SOMD is preparing to start the solicitation development for the 2010 SBIR Topics and sub-topics
 - SOMD is looking to significantly reevaluate your current Topics and sub-topics.
 - The purpose is to:
 - more clearly align with future needs and goals of future operations
 - promote and foster innovation and technology development in our currently operational programs
 - Enable current programs to serve as testbeds for future operations and exploration
 - Send us your ideas for sub-topics
 - Where do you think the gaps are for future operations?



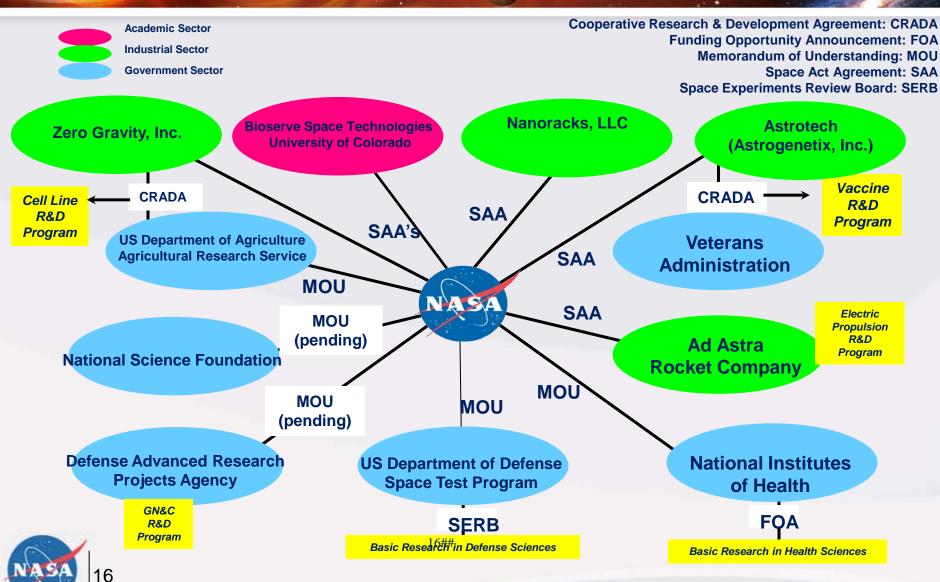
International Space Station – National Laboratory





- Why was the International Space Station designated a US National Laboratory?
- Once ISS assembly is complete and 6 crew (already has 6 person crew) are present on board, the ISS payload science capability is not fully utilized by NASA's planned science program
- In order to maximize the return on investment of the ISS,
 Congress wanted to open up the orbiting laboratory to non-NASA users
- In the December 2005 NASA Authorization Act, Congress designated the ISS as a National Laboratory
 - Opportunity for other government agencies to use ISS to meet their agency objectives
 - Opportunity for commercial interests to use ISS in the interests of economic development in space





National Lab Opportunity available –

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE USE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION BY DOMESTIC ENTITIES OTHER THAN U.S. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/station/science/nlab



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